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The services of Acting Assistant Surgeons Archinard and Farquhar, being no longer needed, are discontinued.

August 19: Surgeon Vickery, of the Soldiers' Home, having been requested to report the number of cases now on hand and date of detection of last case, replies as follows: "Twenty-two cases in ward; most of them ready to be discharged. Nine in the convalescent ward. The last case occurred August 7."

He reports 1 death from one of the first cases. No new cases.

August 20: Surgeon White is ordered to turn over Service matters at Hampton to Passed Assistant Surgeon Smith and return to his station (Washington).

August 21: Surgeon Vickery reports the same encouraging conditions, and that the men are getting back into the building.

Relations between local and national quarantine authorities at San Francisco.

On account of interference by the local health officers with the administration of quarantine at San Francisco, and to prevent the recurrence of such interference, measures have been taken as indicated in the following telegram:

KINYOUN, *Angel Island, Cal.:*

Following telegram signed by Secretary Gage: "*Collector-Customs, San Francisco:* You are instructed when called upon by the national quarantine officer, Surg. J. J. Kinyoun, to detail customs guards for vessels arriving for quarantine inspection. Allow none to leave or board vessel without Dr. Kinyoun's permission until vessel is discharged from quarantine. Use revenue cutter if necessary."

WYMAN.

Vessels from Cuba and Porto Rico arriving at Baltimore for the week ended August 19, 1899.

BALTIMORE, MD., *August 19, 1899.*

SIR: I respectfully transmit the following statement of vessels which have entered at the port of Baltimore from ports in Cuba and Porto Rico during the week ended August 19, 1899: No transactions.

Respectfully, yours,

JNO. R. KING,
Acting Deputy Collector.

Report from United States Detention Camp, Egmont Key, Florida.

UNITED STATES DETENTION CAMP,

Egmont Key, Fla., August 11, 1899.

SIR: I have to respectfully submit the following report of transactions at this camp for the week ended August 11, 1899: There have been no arrivals and no departures from this camp during the week and no other transactions worthy of mention. The move to Mullet Key is progressing slowly on account of extremely bad weather prevailing, as it has been impossible for a lighter to land here for some days.

Respectfully, yours,

G. M. CORPUT,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.